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STRESSES RIGID CARE IN OPERATION,  
SERVICING OF ARMY VEHICLES

RECOMMENDS SAFEGUARDS AGAINST OUTSIDERS -- Polska Zbrojna, No 303, 4 Nov 49

The Polish Army is being built according to modern military concepts. With the help given by the Soviet Union and quick development of the automotive industry, the army's units are being supplied with motorized equipment.

Poland's motorized services have obtained important results in training and equipment. Although a survey of training in summer camps reveals considerable improvement, there still are shortcomings.

It is essential to establish rigid discipline in the following: (1) correct and thorough planning of operation servicing, and repairs for each motor vehicle, and (2) proper management of the motor-vehicle park.

To assure high technical efficiency of motor vehicles at all times, discipline must be enforced. Each vehicle must (1) run the number of kilometers fixed in its monthly or quarterly quota, (2) be used only for the specific purpose assigned to it, while due care is to be taken of its working conditions, (3) be given a thorough check-up at the end of a run, in accordance with existing regulations, (4) receive technical inspection, (5) be supplied with spare parts for replacements as needed, and (6) be turned over for complete overhauling, once the minor repair period has expired.

Absence of such discipline will necessarily cause confusion and chaos in the functioning of a motor-vehicle park, and disrupt its training and supply activities.

It is important to see that: (1) the park is adequately guarded from outsiders, (2) certain components are properly placed to facilitate the servicing of the vehicles, (3) each vehicle passes all service and control stations

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each time, before and after leaving the park, (4) internal regulations are strictly observed to prevent entrance by outsiders, and (5) drivers arrive and leave the park in an orderly manner, servicing their vehicles under the supervision of noncommissioned officers or officers, etc.

Although cases of violations have been sporadic in the Polish Army, they should be eliminated with the utmost rigor. In the light of the modern development of army motorization, every violation is to be considered a hostile act which plays into the hands of the enemies of People's Poland. Party organizations and Polish youth organizations should give their assistance in waging a ruthless fight against every sign of laxity in the motorized services. -- Col Pawel Solski, engineer

HIGH-PRECISION SIGHT-SETTING DEVICE FOR RIFLES -- Polska Zbrojna, No 310, 11 Nov 49

The exhibition of new projects and models presented by Army Liaison Service innovators proves that they have not confined themselves to their own special field, but have embraced the entire field of military training. Several halls were packed with specimens of improved equipment, and with inventions for rifle practice and other training.

One of these exhibits is a high-precision device for aligning the sight of a rifle. It permits detection of deviation as low as one-tenth of a millimeter. After firing the first few shots it is possible to shift the front sight or even to change it without removing the rifle from the device. The latter guarantees faultless alignment and spares an appreciable number of bullets usually wasted in aligning the sight by hand or by means of less precise devices.

"SOVIET POLES" IN THE POLISH ARMY -- Polska Zbrojna, No 304, 5 Nov 49

In the spring of 1943, when the Tadeusz Kosciuszko Division was being formed at the Sielce Camp on the Oka River, one could see large numbers of Soviet officers in the Polish Army, many of them speaking Polish. The term "Soviet Pole" was applied to these Poles who were Soviet citizens and who wore Soviet Army uniforms, but who were, nevertheless, Poles with pride in their Polish heritage.

Some of the Soviet Poles were the sons and grandsons of insurgents of 1863 deported to Siberia, others the sons of revolutionary proletarian leaders condemned to hard labor. There were sons of Poles who fought in the October Revolution with the Leningrad and Moscow workers, all brought up in the Soviet Union, in the Soviet Army, but Poles.

By transmitting their experiences in the Red Army to the soldiers of the Polish Army, Soviet Poles helped train the new cadres of the Regenerated Army. They helped to organize one division after another: aviation, motorized units, artillery. Soviet Poles take an active part in reinforcing the combat strength of the Polish Army and the defensive power of People's Poland.

LOST MILITARY REGISTRATION RECORDS TO BE RESTORED -- Zycie Olsztynskie, No 279, 10 Oct 49

At a meeting held at Olsztyn on 9 October, steps were taken to set up an efficient organization to take a census of births between the years 1905 and 1918. The purpose of the census is to replace the military service registration cards destroyed during the war and the occupation.

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The first census was taken in the spring and the second will be taken from 2 November to 21 December.

The officer in charge of the Olsztyn Regional Registration Commission explained that such census taking, a normal procedure in every country, has been deferred in Poland by the war and the occupation.

The public is requested to take an active part in the census in order to secure a 100-percent registration.

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